

VOCABULARY

1. BEMOAN (VERB): शोक

Pronunciation: buh•mone

Meaning: To feel or express sorrow for.

Synonyms: weep, sorrow, mourn

Antonyms: laugh, cheer, smile

Sentence: He *bemoaned* his father's death.

2. WAIL (NOUN): विलाप

Pronunciation: vayl

Meaning: A crying out in grief.

Synonyms: cry, tears, lamentation

Antonyms: smiling, laughing, cheering

Sentence: The women began to *wail* in the death of a family person.

3. PROFLIGACY (NOUN): भ्रष्टाचार

Pronunciation: praw•fluh•guh•see

Meaning: Immoral conduct or practices harmful or offensive to society.

Synonyms: corruption, immorality, criminality

Antonyms: virtue, morality, right

Sentence: A religious leader who railed against the *profligacy* of the nation's decadent aristocrats.

4. OVERSEE (VERB): निगरानी

Pronunciation: over•see

Meaning: To look after and make decisions about.

Synonyms: supervise, manage, operate

Antonyms: ignore, forget, abandon

Sentence: You must employ someone to *oversee* the project.

5. DISCORDANT (ADJECTIVE): बेसुर

Pronunciation: duh•skawd•uhnt

Meaning: Marked by or producing a harsh combination of sounds.

Synonyms: shrill, dissonant, noisy

Antonyms: musical, harmonious, melodious

Sentence: *Discordant* notes coming from the poorly tuned instrument.

6. CONNOISSEUR (NOUN): पारखी

Pronunciation: kaw•nuh•suh

Meaning: A person having a knowledgeable and fine appreciation of the arts.

Synonyms: scholar, devotee, dilettante

Antonyms: amateur, novice, beginner

Sentence: A forthcoming exhibition at the art museum that is eagerly awaited by *connoisseurs* of ancient Greek pottery.

7. GOSPEL (noun): विचार धारा

Pronunciation: gaw•spl

Meaning: the basic beliefs or guiding principles of a person or group

Synonyms: credo, dogma, ideology

Antonyms: hypothesis, disbelief, theory

Sentence: They continue to preach their *gospel* of self-reliance.

8. PANEGYRIC (NOUN): गुणगान

Pronunciation: pa•nuh•ji•ruhk

Meaning: a public speech or published text in praise of someone or something.

Synonyms: accolade, citation, commendation

Antonyms: admonition, harangue

Sentence: She delivered a *panegyric* on the President-elect.

9. RETRIBUTION (NOUN): बदला

Pronunciation: reh•truh•byoo•shn

Meaning: punishment inflicted on someone as vengeance for a wrong or criminal act.

Synonyms: punishment, penalty, nemesis

Antonyms: forgiveness, pardon, remission

Sentence: People are seeking *retribution* for the latest terrorist outrages.

10. DULCET (ADJECTIVE): आनंद कर

Pronunciation: duhl•suht

Meaning: giving pleasure or contentment to the mind or senses.

Synonyms: delightful, enjoyable, felicitous

Antonyms: unpalatable, unpleasant, disturbing

Sentence: She recorded the *dulcet* tones of her family and friends.